s17 Geometric Series Exam (EXAM v329)

Question 1

Consider the partial geometric series represented below with first term a=345, common ratio $r=\left(\frac{13}{23}\right)^{1/10}$, and n=10 terms.

$$S = 345 + 325.87 + 307.8 + 290.73 + 274.6 + 259.37 + 244.99 + 231.4 + 218.57 + 206.45$$

We can multiply both sides by r.

$$rS = 325.87 + 307.8 + 290.73 + 274.6 + 259.37 + 244.99 + 231.4 + 218.57 + 206.45 + 195$$

What is the value of S - rS?

Question 2

Consider the geometric series shown below, using ellipsis notation to indicate a continuation of the pattern without writing every term.

$$S = 8 + 8(5) + 8(5)^{2} + 8(5)^{3} + \dots + 8(5)^{48} + 8(5)^{49} + 8(5)^{50} + 8(5)^{51}$$

Identify the initial term, the common ratio, and the number of terms.

Question 3

Write a proof for the partial geometric series formula.

- a. Define the variables.
- b. Write the sum using variables and ellipsis notation. You can implicitly assume the number of terms is more than the number of terms you choose to write.
- c. Using annotated algebraic manipulation, produce the partial geometric series formula.